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## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

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Applicants hereby request a two months extension of time to respond to the office  
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